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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Discretionary Grant Program

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ACTION: Notice of Class Deviation from Competition Requirements for the Maternal and Child Health Bureau's (MCHB) Family-to-Family Health Information Centers (F2F HIC) Program (H84).

SUMMARY: HRSA will be issuing non-competitive awards under the Family-to-Family Health Information Centers Program. Approximately \$4.9M will be made available in the form of a grant to current grantees (see below) during the budget period of 6/1/2013 – 5/31/2014. This will provide for an extension of the program for one year, as provided for in section 624 of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (P.L. 112-240) (ATRA) with the least disruption to the states, communities, and constituencies that currently receive assistance and services from these grantees.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Intended Recipients of the Awards: The 51 incumbent grantees of record (listed below).

Amount of the Non-Competitive Awards: Up to \$95,700 per grantee.

CFDA Number: 93.504.

Period of Supplemental Funding: 6/1/2013 – 5/31/2014.

Authority: Section 501(c)(1) of the Social Security Act, as amended.

JUSTIFICATION: The F2F HIC program provides grants to family-run/staffed organizations to ensure families of children with special health care needs have access to adequate information about health and community resources to facilitate informed and shared decision-making around their children's health care. F2F HICs were originally authorized under the Budget Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (P.L. 109-171). Congress specified that there be a family-run/staffed center in each state and the District of Columbia that, among other tasks, assists families of children with special health care needs to make informed choices about health care in order to promote good treatment decisions, cost effectiveness, and improved health outcomes; and provides information and educational opportunities for families, their health professionals, schools, and other appropriate entities. The earlier law was later amended by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (P.L. 111-148), which made funding available until fiscal year (FY) 2012. As the end of the F2F HIC project period quickly approached and continued funding was not provided in the President's Budget for FY 2013, MCHB prepared for closeout of the program.

Section 624 of the ATRA extended the F2F HICs through FY 2013. Under typical circumstances, the project period for the grantees would end on May 31, 2013, and a robust competitive process would take place. As the program's extension is only for one year, MCHB would not have sufficient time to conduct a robust competition and appropriately continue these

grants without a break in the grant. MCHB proposes to extend the project periods of these grants by 12 months to properly respond to direction of the F2F HIC program's extension, enacted in the ATRA. This will provide sufficient fiscal resources to continue programmatic activities as outlined in program authorization with the least disruption to the states, communities, and the MCHB constituencies that currently receive assistance and services from these grantees.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LaQuanta Smalley, Integrated Services Branch, Division of Services for Children with Special Health Needs, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 13-61, Rockville, MD 20857; 301.443.2370; lsmalley@hrsa.gov.

Maternal and Child Health Bureau Selected Grant Programs

Extensions with Funding

Grantee/Organization Name	Grant Number	State	FY 2012 authorized funding level	Revised project end date
Stone Soup Group	H84MC12893	AK	\$95,700	31-May-2014
Family Voices of Alabama Inc.	H84MC12901	AL	95,700	31-May-2014
Arkansas Disability Coalition	H84MC12900	AR	95,700	31-May-2014
Raising Special Kids	H84MC07942	AZ	95,700	31-May-2014
Support for Families of Children w/ Disabilities	H84MC07943	CA	95,700	31-May-2014
Colorado Nonprofit Development Center	H84MC15142	CO	95,700	31-May-2014
PATH Parent to Parent/Family Voices of CT	H84MC21663	CT	95,700	31-May-2014
Advocates for Justice and Education, Inc.	H84MC21661	DC	95,700	31-May-2014

Delaware Family Voices, Inc.	H84MC21662	DE	95,700	31-May-2014
Family Network on Disabilities of Florida, Inc.	H84MC21660	FL	95,700	31-May-2014
Parent to Parent of Georgia, Inc.	H84MC07947	GA	95,700	31-May-2014
Hawaii Pediatric Association Research & Education Foundation	H84MC07999	HI	95,700	31-May-2014
ASK Resource Center	H84MC24065	IA	95,700	31-May-2014
Idaho Parents Unlimited Inc.	H84MC12896	ID	95,700	31-May-2014
The Arc of Illinois	H84MC06873	IL	95,700	31-May-2014
Family Voices Indiana	H84MC21659	IN	95,700	31-May-2014
Families Together, Inc.	H84MC09487	KS	95,700	31-May-2014
Commission for CSHCN	H84MC12897	KY	95,700	31-May-2014
Bayou Land Families Helping Families	H84MC08043	LA	95,700	31-May-2014
Federation for Children with Special Needs	H84MC08005	MA	95,700	31-May-2014
The Parent's Place of Maryland	H84MC07946	MD	95,700	31-May-2014
Maine Parent Federation	H84MC00003	ME	95,700	31-May-2014
SEMHA PPA FCCYSHCN	H84MC09365	MI	95,700	31-May-2014
PACER Center, Inc.	H84MC00005	MN	95,700	31-May-2014
Curators, University of Missouri	H84MC09484	MO	95,700	31-May-2014
University of Southern Mississippi	H84MC07948	MS	95,700	31-May-2014
Parent's Let's Unite for Kids	H84MC09367	MT	95,700	31-May-2014
Exceptional Children's Assistance Center	H84MC08000	NC	95,700	31-May-2014
Family Voices of North Dakota, Inc	H84MC07992	ND	95,700	31-May-2014
PTI Nebraska	H84MC08009	NE	95,700	31-May-2014
NH Coalition for Citizens w/Disabilities	H84MC09488	NH	95,700	31-May-2014
Statewide Parent Advocacy Network of NJ	H84MC07997	NJ	95,700	31-May-2014
Parents Reaching Out to Help	H84MC08007	NM	95,700	31-May-2014
Family TIES of Nevada, Inc.	H84MC08001	NV	95,700	31-May-2014
Parent to Parent of NYS	H84MC08006	NY	95,700	31-May-2014

Family Voices of Ohio	H84MC12903	OH	95,700	31-May-2014
The Oklahoma Family Network, Inc.	H84MC09368	OK	95,700	31-May-2014
Oregon Health and Science University	H84MC21658	OR	95,700	31-May-2014
Parent Education & Advocacy Leadership Center	H84MC07998	PA	95,700	31-May-2014
Rhode Island Parent Information Network, Inc.	H84MC08002	RI	95,700	31-May-2014
Family Connection of South Carolina, Inc.	H84MC12895	SC	95,700	31-May-2014
South Dakota Parent Connection, Inc.	H84MC07994	SD	95,700	31-May-2014
Tennessee Disability Coalition	H84MC00004	TN	95,700	31-May-2014
Texas Parent to Parent	H84MC07993	TX	95,700	31-May-2014
Utah Parent Center	H84MC07996	UT	95,700	31-May-2014
Virginia Commonwealth University	H84MC09486	VA	95,700	31-May-2014
Vermont Family Network	H84MC21657	VT	95,700	31-May-2014
Washington PAVE	H84MC09369	WA	95,700	31-May-2014
Family Voices of Wisconsin, Inc.	H84MC21690	WI	95,700	31-May-2014
West Virginia Parent Training and Information, Inc.	H84MC12898	WV	95,700	31-May-2014
University of Wyoming	H84MC24069	WY	95,700	31-May-2014

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Administrator

